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In addition to its public performance, the Company will also hold a class and a workshop:

Friday, Oct. 20, 2:15-3:20 p.m., Humanities Fine Arts Room 125, Dance Composition class presentation - choreography and the creative process.

Saturday, Oct. 21, 2-3 p.m., Middle Eastern Dance - the latest fitness craze! A lively, exhilarating introduction to Middle Eastern dance. Men's and women's dances, teens and adults of all body types, dancers and non-dancers.

Called "one of the most respected Arabic dance companies in the country," the Jawaahir Dance Company is dedicated to presenting Middle Eastern dance as a living art form and bringing the rich folkloric heritage of the Middle East to the theater stage. Beautiful, authentic costumes and traditional rhythms set the scene for the beauty and drama of the dance. The company's season includes hundreds of performances and has been winning over audiences since its start in 1989. The Company's fierce dedication to the Arabic culture and to the authenticity of their performances will be an experience to remember.

The New York Theatre Ballet's, “He Loves/She Loves: A Radio Reverie,” is next in the Performing Arts Series at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, also in Edson Auditorium.

For ticket, class or workshop information call the Office of Student Activities at UMM, (320) 589-6080.

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